ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A process for preparing pesticides or pesticidal intermediates, particularly 5-amino-1 aryl-3-cyanopyrazoles, having the formula

$$R^3$$
 CN
 N
 R^2
 W
 R^1

said process comprising reacting a compound having the formula

$$R^3$$
 CH
 N
 R^7
 HN
 R^2
 W
 R^1
 (II)

with a cyanide salt.

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